INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

The summary of this incident is based upon reports (Exhibit A), memorandums and taped interviews by Homicide Bureau investigators contained in this packet. This summary is preliminary and does not include an interview of the Department members who were involved in the incident by the Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) investigators.

On October 27, 1998, Lieutenant Cecil Rhambo and Sergeants Roger Zombek and Thomas Campbell of IAB, were notified that two Century Station deputies, while on patrol were cut off by a Gray Ford as they were driving through a construction area. The deputies were going to stop the vehicle to warn or possibly cite the driver regarding his driving. The deputies then saw bullets impacting their front windshield. Both deputies, fearing for their lives drew their service weapons and while driving returned fire. The suspects vehicle stopped after causing a collision with a Honda Civic at 75th and Hooper Avenue. The suspects continued to fire their weapons at the deputies. Moments later an additional deputy arrived at the scene, the three male suspects were out of their vehicle on the ground and the shooting stopped. It was then that Deputy Valencia realized he had been hit on his right elbow area and the right side of his neck. Assisting deputies immediately transported Deputy Valencia to St. Francis Hospital for medical treatment.

Deputy Angel Jaimes, #[redacted], told the Homicide Bureau investigators that he was assigned to unit 217A Days as the bookman, and Deputy Javier Valencia, #[redacted] was driving. He said that at approximately 1126 hours, they were westbound in a marked black and white patrol unit on Florence Avenue at McKey Street. He noticed a dark grey Ford Crown Victoria in the number two lane with three male Hispanics. The vehicle made an unsafe lane change in front of their unit. Deputy Jaimes said he ran the license plate for wants which were negative.

Deputy Jaimes stated they activated their red lights to affect a traffic stop for the violation. The suspect vehicle failed to yield to the red lights. Jaimes said they motioned to the occupants of the vehicle to pull to the right and stop. The vehicle continued west on Florence Avenue and stopped at the red light at Parmalee Avenue in the left turn bay. The occupants were aware of their presence due to the fact the passengers were turning in their direction and the driver was looking both through the rear view mirror and the side mirror.

Deputy Jaimes said when the light changed the suspect vehicle turned south on Parmalee Avenue. Jaimes told his partner, "something isn't right." The suspect vehicle slowed down enough that he exited his unit with his gun drawn. The suspect vehicle sped away and continued south. Jaimes said he got back into his car and they followed the suspect vehicle which turned onto 75th Street. When Deputy Jaimes and his partner turned onto 75th Street they could see the rear seat passenger lift up an AK-47 and fire though the rear window of the suspect vehicle. He said he returned fire by firing his department issued Beretta out of the passenger window toward the suspect vehicle. Deputy Jaimes said the suspect vehicle increased speed and crossed Hooper

Avenue causing a collision with a tan Honda going south on Hooper Avenue. Both vehicles came to rest against the west curb of Hooper Avenue facing west. The suspect vehicle also struck a parked blue subcompact vehicle. The rear passenger of the suspect vehicle continued firing at them. The driver and passenger exited the suspect vehicle and began shooting handguns at them. Jaimes said the driver and passenger took cover on the side of the blue subcompact vehicle, and said the rear passenger exited and fell onto the ground and moved to the northside of the tan Honda.

Deputy Jaimes said they had pulled into the intersection of 75th Street and Hooper Avenue, when he told his partner to back up because they were too close to the suspect vehicle. They backed the patrol vehicle out of the intersection and continued to return fire at the suspects. He said he took up a position at the rear of his patrol unit. While his partner remained by the driver's door until he called him to the rear of their vehicle.

Deputy Jaimes stated he had expended all the rounds he had and the suspects were still firing at them. He moved to the interior of his vehicle and retrieved the shotgun. He fired two rounds toward the suspects behind the blue subcompact vehicle. At that time assisting units were arriving and he observed one suspect behind the blue subcompact vehicle put up his hands.

He described the driver as older than the other two suspects, wearing a white cowboy hat. He said the suspect in the rear seat shooting the AK-47 was wearing light-colored clothing, late teens to early 20's and was wearing a baseball hat. The passenger in the front seat was wearing a baseball hat, had a handgun, and was in his late teens to early 20's.

Deputy Jaimes said he carries his Beretta with 15 rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber and two additional magazines containing 15 rounds each. He carries a back up weapon which he had on his person. The detectives examined his Smith and Wesson, Model 649-1, revolver which contained five live rounds of .38 caliber ammunition. The weapon had not been fired.

Deputy Sergio Mancilla, #[redacted], told the Homicide Bureau investigators that he was assigned to COP's team that worked particular problem areas. He said he was working alone in a marked black and white unit. He said he had made a [redacted] on 75th Street between Compton Avenue and Parmalee Avenue. He heard what sounded like firecrackers coming west of his location. He saw unit 217A, Deputies Valencia and Jaimes, on 75th Street going west. He thought they were also going to investigate the firecrackers. He heard additional popping sounds and when he approached unit 217A which was stopped. He saw them exchanging gunfire with the suspects. One suspect popped up from behind the blue subcompact vehicle. Deputy Mancilla fired two rounds at him. He said he also saw one suspect north of the tan Honda. Deputy Mancilla said he moved from his driver's door of his vehicle to the rear of unit 217A.

Deputy Mancilla, said he observed Deputy Valencia had been shot and directed a unit to transport him to the hospital. He retrieved Deputy Valencia's Beretta and placed it in the glove box.

Deputy Mancilla said his duty weapon is his personal Beretta. He said it was loaded with 15 rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber. The detectives counted out 12 rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber, indicating Deputy Mancilla fired 3 rounds. Deputy Javier Valencia, #[redacted] told the Homicide Bureau investigators that he was assigned to unit 217A. He was the driver. He and his partner Deputy Jaimes were westbound in a marked black and white patrol unit on Florence Avenue at approximately McKey Street, when they noticed a dark grey Ford Crown victoria in the number two lane with three male Hispanics. He said the vehicle made an unsafe lane change in front of their unit and they activated their red lights to effect a traffic stop for the violation. The vehicle failed to yield to the Deputies red lights. He said the occupants were aware of their presence due to the fact the passengers were turning in their direction and the driver was looking both through the rear view mirror and the side mirror. Deputy Valencia said they motioned to the occupants of the vehicle to pull to the right and stop. He used short blasts of the siren to assist in advising the occupants to pull to the right and stop.

Deputy Valencia related substantially the same about the route of travel while following the suspect in the Ford Crown Victoria as that of Deputy Jaimes statements. Deputy Valencia said that when they turned onto 75th Street, they observed the rear passenger suspect lift up an AK-47. He began firing at them through the rear window of the suspect vehicle. Valencia said he felt the bullets impacting their unit. He immediately returned fire by firing his department issued Beretta out of the driver's side window toward the suspect vehicle.

The suspect vehicle increased it's speed and crossed Hooper Avenue and collided with a tan Honda going south on Hooper Avenue. The rear passenger in the suspect vehicle continued firing at them though the back window then crawled out of the right passenger side and continued firing at them. Deputy Valencia said he concentrated his fire toward the rear passenger with the AK-47. When Deputy Valencia didn't see any movement from the suspect he turned his attention to the suspects behind the blue subcompact.

Deputy Valencia said he took up a position at the rear of his patrol unit. He expended all the rounds he had and the suspects were still firing at them. His partner Deputy Jaimes retrieved the shotgun from their unit and fired two rounds toward the suspects behind the subcompact vehicle. At that moment assisting units were arriving and he observed one suspect behind the blue subcompact vehicle put up his hands.

Deputy Valencia said he didn't know what he did with his Beretta. He reloaded three times. He said that during the gun battle with the suspects, he felt something hit his right arm. He looked down and saw he had been shot.

Homicide investigators along with Sergeants' Mike Pippin, Tom Campbell, Mike Colton, and I, interviewed several witnesses in the vicinity of 75th Street and Hooper Street. The witnesses were able to offer substantial information that reflected statements made by the involved deputies in incident. Their statements included hearing numerous gun shots and seeing smoke coming from where the suspects bullets were striking the windshield of the deputies patrol unit. The

deputies in the patrol vehicle got out of their vehicle and start shooting back at whoever was shooting at them. Another witness said she saw a large Ford driving westbound on 75th Street and the people in the vehicle were shooting. She said the vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed. The additional witness interviews were substantially the same from the residence of the area of the incident.

IAB Note: All three deputies involved in the gun battle were carrying backup weapons however none were fired.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 1998

FILE NO.: 098-21225-2172-011

C: MURDER - 187 P.C./ATTEMPT MURDER ON A PEACE OFFICER - 664/187 P.C./ OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

ACTION: ACTIVE/INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED

V: (SEE BELOW)

D: 10-27-98 (TUESDAY) AT 1126 HOURS

L: 75TH STREET AND PARMELEE AVENUE
FIRESTONE PARK

S: (SEE BELOW)

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VICTIMS:

V#1: VALENCIA, JAVIER MH/33 (INJURED)
Deputy Sheriff, #[redacted]
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

V#2: JAIMES, ANGEL EUSTORJIO MH/35
Deputy Sheriff, #[redacted]
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

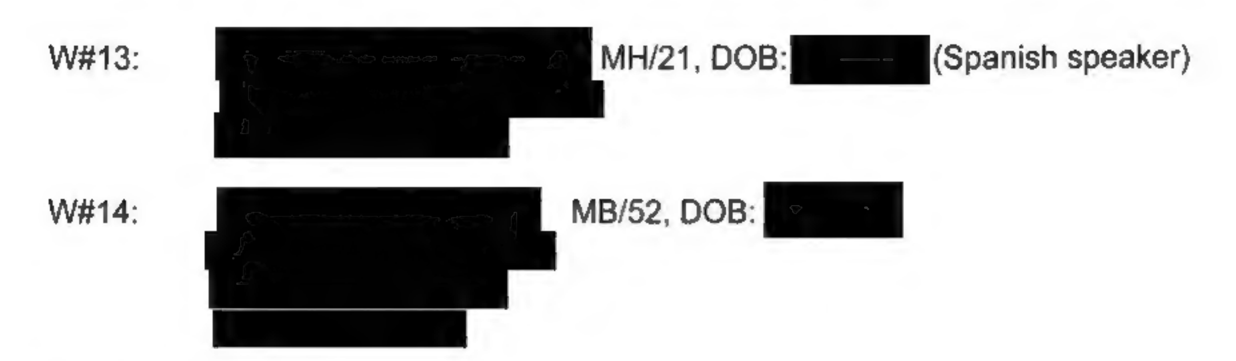
V#3: MANCILLA, SERGIO ARMANDO MH/33
Deputy Sheriff, #[redacted]
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

SUSPECTS:

S#1: [redacted] MH/17, DOB: [redacted] (DECEASED)
(Rear passenger in vehicle)







W#13: MH/21, DOB: (Spanish speaker)

W#14: MB/52, DOB:

EVIDENCE HELD:

Item #107: Two expended casings, 9mm, received from Witness Lab Receipt #H981077.

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On 10-27-98, Investigators Snapper and Reyes from Homicide Bureau, along with Sergeant Mike Pippen, Internal Affairs Bureau, interviewed Mr. (Witness #1) at his residence. The following is a summary of that taped interview:

Mr. stated that he was sitting on his coach in the residence when he heard some gunshots coming from outside. He got up, slightly opened the front door of his residence, and observed a police car parked on 75th Street at Hooper. He said he could not see the Crown Victoria, where the suspects were. He could see smoke coming from that area and bullets striking the windshield of the deputies' patrol unit. He said the driver and passenger of the deputies' patrol unit got out of their vehicle and started shooting back at whoever was shooting at them.

The deputies and the suspects exchanged gunshots for sometime. The deputy who was the driver then got out the 12-gauge shotgun from his patrol unit and fired two rounds from the shotgun at the suspects. He said that after the deputy fired the shotgun, the shooting stopped. He said just prior to that, another patrol unit traveled westbound on 75th and parked behind the other two deputies who were shooting at the suspects. He thinks that deputy fired one or two shots. He said that this deputy came late, and the shooting was almost over at that time.

again stated he could only see the first unit that arrived and the second unit that arrived late. He could not see the Crown Victoria, as his view was blocked by the other residences.

said that after the shooting, he walked to the corner of 75th and Hooper and observed two suspects being taken into custody. He said they were out of the vehicle already. One of



the suspects who deputies arrested was wearing gray pants and he does not recall any other clothing. He said the other suspect who was arrested was wearing cowboy boots and a black leather jacket. He did not observe anybody that was injured at that time. This interview was then concluded.

On 10-27-98, Investigators interviewed [redacted] (Witness #3) at her residence. The following is the summary of that taped interview:

Mrs. [redacted] stated she was in her kitchen at her residence when she heard what she thought were firecrackers. She went to her front door, opened the door, but left the security door closed. She stated she can see out of the door, but people cannot see her.

As Mrs. [redacted] looked out, she observed a large gray vehicle, either a Ford or Chrysler, driving westbound on 75th Street. She said the people in this vehicle were shooting. She said the vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed. She only observed one person and that was the driver. She said the driver was holding a gun in his left hand and pointed the gun backwards eastbound towards the Sheriff's police vehicle. The driver of this vehicle was firing at the police vehicle. She indicated that this weapon was a handgun. Mrs. [redacted] could not describe the clothing or what the driver in the vehicle looked like. She does not know if he was wearing a hat or not.

Mrs. [redacted] indicated the suspect vehicle was traveling approximately 50 to 60 miles per hour. The patrol vehicle was approximately one car length behind the suspect vehicle. She said she did not see anybody else in the suspect vehicle. If there were individuals in the vehicle, they were ducking down.

Mrs. [redacted] said that as the suspect vehicle passed by her residence, the deputies in the patrol car were also shooting at the suspect vehicle. She then heard a crash, walked out her front door, and looked towards Hooper. She observed that the gray car had crashed into the curb at the west end of 75th and Hooper. She said there was a small car, either yellow or gold next to the big gray car. She said an individual was standing between the large gray car and the small car on the north and was shooting at the deputies. She said this person was standing next to the passenger side of the gray car. This person was short and was either wearing a brown or beige shirt. She does not recall if he was wearing a cap or not. She did not see the driver or any other person at that time.

Investigator Snapper showed Mrs. [redacted] his on-duty Beretta weapon. She indicated this weapon was similar to the weapon the person she described was shooting at the deputies.

Mrs. [redacted] said that during the shooting, the person or suspect who was shooting at the deputies had fallen down. She then went in her residence to call the police. After calling the



police and telling them that the deputies involved in the shooting needed help, she went back outside. She said at that time there was a second police vehicle parked behind the first one, which was parked westbound on 75th Street at Hooper. This interview was then concluded.

On 10-27-98, Investigators interviewed (Witness #4). He is the of . This interview was conducted at his residence. The following is a summary of that taped interview:

said he was in his garage, which is at the rear of the residence, when he thought he heard firecrackers. He walked from the garage down his driveway and observed a female west of his residence crouched down by her chimney. He asked what was going on, and she pointed out towards the street. then walked out towards 75th Street and observed a Sheriff's patrol unit parked westbound on 75th Street at Hooper. He said the driver's door and the right front passenger door were open, a deputy was standing behind the driver's door, and a deputy was standing behind the passenger's door. He said both deputies were shooting towards the west.

said there was a gray vehicle crashed into the west curb of Hooper. There was also a Honda Civic north of this gray vehicle. He described a person wearing light brown clothing standing on the north side of the Honda, which was pointed towards the west curb of Hooper. This person was standing next to the right front passenger door of the Honda Civic. This person was shooting, but did not see the gun.

said the shooting continued, and this person who was wearing the light brown clothing then apparently got shot and fell to the ground, but the shooting continued. said he was not sure as to what type of weapon this individual had, but he believes it was a small handgun. said that after the suspect went down, he continued to move. It appeared that he was trying to pull himself back into the vehicle.

said the shooting continued, then he heard someone yell out, "I'm hit! I'm hit!" He observed that the deputy driver of the patrol unit had blood coming from the left side of his neck. He believes the deputy was also hit in the right arm at the elbow. He said a short time later, a patrol unit came from southbound on Hooper and stopped at Hooper and 75th Street in front of the patrol unit where the deputy was injured. This patrol unit then picked up the injured deputy and immediately took off eastbound on 75th Street.

said he then returned to his residence to talk to his . He then later came back out of the residence and observed a patrol unit near the gray Ford. At that time he observed some deputies, other than those who were doing the shooting, arrest a male who was wearing a dark jacket, cowboy boots and shirt and black jeans. He said this individual was not wearing a hat. He said this person was arrested in front of the gray Ford. He did not



see the patrol vehicle that had later pulled up behind the first patrol unit which was parked westbound on 75th Street at Hooper. The only suspects he did see were the suspect who had been shot and the suspect who he just described as wearing the cowboy boots and cowboy shirt. This interview was then concluded.

On 10-27-98, Investigators interviewed (Witness #5) at his residence. The following is a summary of this taped interview:

Mr. said at approximately 11:30, he was in the back bedroom watching TV when he heard about five gunshots. He said he got up, went into the living room, opened the front door, and observed a male running on the south sidewalk of 75th Street. He then observed a large gray vehicle that appeared to be chasing him westbound on 75th Street toward Hooper. He said the gunshots continued. He did not see anyone in the vehicle. He then closed the front door to his living room.

Mr. said he took the small children and went back to the rear portion of the residence. The gunshots had continued from the area of 75th Street and Hooper. He said the only vehicle he saw was the gray vehicle. He did not see any police vehicles.

Investigators then inquired as to Witness #5, , who resides at the location and is a friend of . Mr. indicated she was not home at the time and had seen the same thing he had seen. He said she had opened the front door of the residence, observed the gray vehicle, heard gunshots, and then slammed the front door shut.

Mr. could not describe the individual he had seen running on the south sidewalk of 75th Street. This interview was then concluded.

On 10-27-98, Investigators interviewed (Witness #7) at his residence. The following is a summary of this taped interview:

Mr. said he was out front watering his lawn at his residence when he observed a large gray Caprice-type looking car coming southbound on Parmelee to westbound 75th Street towards Hooper. The vehicle sped past his house. There was a police car with two deputies following the gray Caprice. He said the deputies both had their guns drawn and pointed at the gray car. He recalled seeing individuals in the gray car but could not tell how many or describe them.

Mr. said he observed the deputies firing at the gray Caprice. He then observed the gray Caprice cross over Hooper from 75th Street and hit a small Civic car. He said the little Civic was traveling southbound on Hooper when the gray Caprice crashed into the Civic. He said it was shortly after the crash when he heard numerous gunshots.



Mr. [REDACTED] said that immediately after the crash, the gunshots increased. He ran into his residence and did not come back out. He did not observe the patrol units stop at the intersection, as there were other vehicles blocking his view. He then was asked whether or not he saw anyone else shooting other than the deputies. He stated the deputies were shooting just prior to arriving at his house and as they passed the house. This interview was concluded at this time.

12-27-98 (TUESDAY) 1410 HOURS

Investigators Reyes and Snapper from the Sheriff's Homicide Bureau, along with Sergeant Mike Pippen of the Sheriff's Internal Affairs Bureau, interviewed Suspect #2, **ALFREDO CARRIZOZA**, in the interview room at the Century Sheriff's Station lock-up facility. This interview was conducted in Spanish and was translated into English by Investigator Reyes. This interview was tape recorded.

Prior to interviewing Suspect Carrizoza, Investigator Reyes admonished him of his Miranda rights in Spanish. This was Suspect Carrizoza's second admonishment of his Miranda rights.

It should be noted that Suspect Carrizoza was previously admonished during booking by Deputy Rojas, #[REDACTED], of Century Station patrol. Suspect Carrizoza initially gave a statement to Deputy Rojas. Deputy Rojas will submit a supplemental report detailing the interview he conducted with Suspect Carrizoza.

After Investigator Reyes admonished Suspect Carrizoza of his Miranda rights, he knowingly and willingly waived them and stated he would talk to Investigators without an attorney being present.

Suspect Carrizoza said his friends came over to his house at 95th Street and San Pedro. Carrizoza did not know the names of the two individuals who he claimed were his friends and who came to his house. For the purpose of this report, the other two individuals will be Suspect #1 and Suspect #2.

Suspect Carrizoza said the two friends are friends of his [REDACTED] who is named [REDACTED] (NFD). Carrizoza said they came over to his house at approximately 10 a.m. on 10-27-98, the date of this incident. When they arrived at his house, they invited him to go out and go drinking.

Suspect Carrizoza said prior to their arrival, all he was doing was sitting around with his family at his home. He said after he and the two other suspects left his house, they went to the Long Beach area to one of the other two suspects' cousin's house. After visiting the cousin in Long Beach, they went to fill out an application for a deposit on their (two suspects') house in Los



Angeles. This location was somewhere around the area of Florence and Alameda. He did not know the driver's name (Suspect #2). He can only describe him as a young man with a mustache He described the other suspect (deceased), who was seated in the backseat, as not having a mustache and having a light complexion. He said he had only known the driver (Suspect #2) for approximately 20 days.

Suspect Carrizoza said his (Carrizoza's) seating position in the suspect vehicle was the right front passenger seat. Suspect Carrizoza said Suspect #2 (Molina) was the driver and Suspect #1 (the deceased) was the rear passenger in the vehicle.

Suspect Carrizoza said that as Suspect Molina was driving on Florence Avenue approaching some unknown street, he (Carrizoza) noticed there was a police car following them with the red lights on. Carrizoza said the driver (Suspect Molina) turned left onto an unknown street from Florence Avenue. When he turned left onto the unknown street, the driver did not stop for the deputy who was attempting to stop him. Carrizoza said he told the driver to stop, but the driver refused to stop, and kept driving slowly down the street. Carrizoza said he does not know why the driver did not want to stop for the police.

Suspect Carrizoza said Suspect Molina drove down the street and turned onto another street, and a short while after turning down the street, the vehicle that they were in collided into two other vehicles. Carrizoza said he got scared because the police were pointing their guns at them.

Suspect Carrizoza said when he initially got out of the suspect car, he left his gun in the car. Suddenly he then changed his statement and stated the gun fell out of the car as he was getting out. When the gun fell, it discharged a round.

Suspect Carrizoza said the other two suspects were doing the shooting; he did not know what type guns the other two suspects were shooting. He said he did not know about guns and he did not know how to use weapons either. Investigator Reyes asked him what kind of gun he had. He said he had a black .44, but he could not be sure it was a .44, because he does not know much about weapons. Carrizoza said the youngster (Suspect #1, deceased) in the backseat was shooting a rifle.

Suspect Carrizoza said he got out of the car via the right passenger door to find cover. As he was getting out of the car, the gun he had fell and accidentally discharged. He said he picked up the gun and threw it onto the sidewalk. He did not know if Suspect Molina (driver) was doing any shooting.

It was at this point Investigator Reyes confronted Suspect Carrizoza with the cop-out he gave to Deputy Rojas during the time he was being booked. Carrizoza said he told the deputies



that when his gun fell to the ground, it discharged one round. He said he did not tell them he fired one round at the deputies.

Suspect Carrizoza said that during the time they were being followed by the police, he was not carrying a gun. The gun that he described as falling out of the car was on the seat next to the driver. Investigator Reyes asked him how the gun could have fallen out onto the ground alongside the passenger side of the vehicle, if the gun was next to the driver. He said he grabbed the gun and it fell and discharged.

At this point Investigator Reyes again confronted him with how the falling gun situation could have happened. Investigator Reyes asked him why he grabbed the gun. He said he did not want to grab it because he thought the police would shoot at him. Still not responding to the question asked of him, Investigator Reyes again confronted him with a situational fact. Investigator Reyes asked him how could the gun that was on the front seat next to the driver of the vehicle he was in, could possibly have fallen out his passenger door.

It was at this time Suspect Carrizoza said he actually got out the driver's side door because after the accident, his passenger side door would not open. Carrizoza said he slid across the front seat of the vehicle, at which time the gun got caught between his legs and fell onto the ground as he was sliding out the driver's side door. He said the hammer on the gun was back (cocked) as the gun fell to the ground. When the gun fell to the ground, the driver (Suspect Molina) picked up the gun. The next time Carrizoza remembered seeing the gun was on the sidewalk. Carrizoza said after he got out of the driver's side of the vehicle, he jumped over the hood of the suspect vehicle to hide, because he did not want to get shot.

Again, Suspect Carrizoza stated he did not know anything about weapons. He said the only weapons that were in the car was the one that fell out of the car as he was exiting the vehicle and the rifle that Suspect #1 had. Carrizoza again stated he did not see the driver do any shooting because he was too preoccupied covering up to prevent himself from getting shot by the police.

Investigator Reyes again asked Carrizoza why they did not want to stop for the deputies. It was at this time he said it was because they had guns in the car. He did not know why they had guns in the car. He said maybe the reason why Suspects #1 and #2 had guns was because they were worried about something. He said the first time he saw any of the guns was when the police were attempting to stop them. He said the handgun was under the front seat armrest and the rifle was under the back side of the front seat. He said the first time he saw the gun was when he was sliding across the front seat to get out the driver's side. He had to lift the armrest in order to get out, subsequently exposing the handgun from under the armrest.



Suspect Carrizoza said that as he was getting out of the vehicle, he asked the driver again why he did not want to stop for the police. He said the driver replied because he (driver, Suspect Molina) had been drinking some beers. Carrizoza said they all had been drinking that morning, and they drank approximately four to six beers within a two to two and a half hour period of time. He said Suspect Molina and Suspect [redacted] had been drinking prior to picking him up at his residence.

Suspect Carrizoza said during the time he was hiding in front of their crashed vehicle, Suspect #1 ([redacted]) was still shooting at the police. It was at this time Investigator Reyes attempted to establish again how Suspect Carrizoza knew the two suspects. It was at this time Carrizoza told Investigator Reyes he met the two suspects through his family. He said he had been in California for approximately 20 days prior to this shooting, but he had spent approximately one year in California awhile back. Carrizoza said Suspect #1 pulled the rifle out from under the front seat after their traffic collision.

Suspect Carrizoza said he does not know if Suspect #1 fired at the police during the time their vehicle was moving. Investigator Reyes then confronted Carrizoza again with the fact that he did not know if someone was shooting, as he was seated in the same vehicle with them. It was at this time Carrizoza said he did hear a gunshot. He said he did not mention it before because he became scared when Suspect #1 (deceased) fired the shot.

Suspect Carrizoza said the first shot was fired from their suspect vehicle just prior to the traffic collision. The first shot was fired from their vehicle by Suspect #1 when their vehicle was mid-block between Parmelee and Hooper Street. He said the police did not shoot until after the youngster shot at them. He said if the youngster had not shot at the police, the police would not have shot at them. He recalls the deputies first shot at them when their car (police car) was stopped.

1545 HOURS

Homicide Investigators Reyes and Snapper, along with Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Pippen, interviewed **ADOLFO CARDENAS MOLINA** (Suspect #2), in an interview room at the Century Sheriff's Station lock-up facility. Prior to conducting this interview, Investigator Reyes admonished Molina of his Miranda rights. Molina waived his Miranda rights and elected to talk to Investigators without an attorney being present. This interview was conducted in Spanish and was translated into English by Investigator Reyes. This interview was tape recorded.

It should be noted that during the time Suspect Molina was being admonished of his Miranda rights, he interrupted the admonishment and asked how the deputy and the other two suspects were doing. He was informed that at this time everyone was doing okay.



Suspect Molina said prior to being stopped by the police, he and his friends (Suspects Carrizoza and [redacted]) were going to the Fontana area to do some shooting. He said there are areas out there for people to shoot. He said they all had weapons, so there were three guns in the car when the deputies attempted to stop them.

Suspect Molina said he had a 9mm semiautomatic pistol with wood grips; however, in the beginning, he refused to give the color of the gun He then subsequently stated the gun he had was silver in color. He said Suspect #1 [redacted] had a rifle. He said both the 9mm pistol and the rifle belonged to him (Suspect Molina). He said the gun Suspect Carrizoza had belonged to Carrizoza. He did not know if Suspect Carrizoza owned it or if it had been loaned to him, but Suspect Carrizoza was in possession of his own weapon. He said he did not know if the rifle or Carrizoza's weapon were loaded. He said his 9mm was fully loaded, but there was not a bullet in the chamber.

Suspect Molina said he was just driving around. He said they were not going to cause anyone harm. He said it is true; however, the police saw him and followed him. As they were following him, the red lights on the patrol car were on. He said he knew the police were going to stop him, at which time Suspect [redacted] (deceased) told him not to stop. He did not know why Suspect [redacted] told him not to stop.

Suspect Molina said he first saw the police car's red lights when he turned left onto the first street (Parmelee) from Florence Avenue. As he was making the turn, Suspect [redacted] told him not to stop. He said Suspect [redacted] told him not to stop in a very threatening manner. He said that is the reason why he did not stop.

Suspect Molina said he continued to flee from the police. He attempted to lose them by turning right onto another street, which was a short street, and when he went to turn left out of the short street, he crashed into some cars. Prior to their vehicle crashing, Suspect [redacted] got up onto the backseat and pointed his rifle at the police car that was following them. At this time the police who were following them began shooting at them. He said the reason the police began shooting at them was because the police saw Suspect [redacted] pointing the rifle at them.

Suspect Molina again repeated that the police began shooting shortly before their suspect vehicle crashed into the cars. Suspect Molina said he saw some bullet holes puncturing his seat.

Suspect Molina does not know why Suspect [redacted] pointed the rifle at the police. He thought maybe it was because Suspect [redacted] had drank five beers earlier in the morning, during a two-hour time period. Suspect Molina said he, Suspect [redacted] and Suspect Carrizoza were all drinking earlier that morning.



Suspect Molina again repeated, without being asked, that they were not out on the street to hurt anybody. After Suspect Molina said this, Investigator Reyes asked him when was the first time he shot at the police. Suspect Molina replied he did not shoot at the police, but then quickly changed his statement and said he thought he fired one shot at the police while he was in his suspect vehicle, but that bullet hit something inside of his vehicle. He said he fired this shot as he was getting out of the car, because he wanted to run away and throw the firearm away.

When asked what the other suspects did with their weapons, Suspect Molina said Suspect Carrizoza threw his gun by a pole near where they were standing and hiding.

Investigator Reyes again asked Suspect Molina how many times he fired at the police. He then said he fired the first shot at the police as he was running. He did not look directly at the police when he shot at them; however, he shot at them as he was on the run. Molina does not know how many shots Suspect Carrizoza shot at the police or if Suspect Carrizoza did in fact shoot at the police. He said the police were shooting a lot. He does not know if Suspect Carrizoza shot at the police as he (Carrizoza) was getting out the right front passenger side of their suspect vehicle.

Suspect Molina said that during the time the police were firing so many shots at them, both he and Suspect Carrizoza were hiding by the pole in front of where their vehicle had come to rest. He does not know where Suspect [redacted] was during the shooting after the crash or where he was hiding. He said he could not see what was happening because of where he was hiding.

Investigators Reyes asked Suspect Molina again how many times he fired at the police. Suspect Molina then insisted that the one round he fired was because of all the excitement at that time. At this point, Investigator Reyes confronted Suspect Molina with the fact that how could the excitement have caused him to fire one round, when earlier in the interview Suspect Molina had told Investigator Reyes there was no bullet in the chamber of his 9mm. It was at this time Suspect Molina admitted that he chambered one round into the barrel of the gun when the police first began shooting at them. When Investigators repeated this last statement to him, Suspect Molina then changed his statement and said that he chambered a round into the gun's barrel when his vehicle crashed. Molina then said he did not shoot at the police. He said the shot that he fired went in a backward and upward direction and up into the air. He said the gun discharged as he was jumping over the cars to take cover.

At this time, Investigator Reyes established who owned the vehicle the suspects were in. Suspect Molina first said the vehicle he had was loaned to him by a lady friend. He refused to tell Investigator Reyes who the car belonged to. He then said, "I'll tell you the truth." However, he refused to tell Investigator Reyes the name of the person who loaned him the car.



He said he had been in the car for awhile, then he changed his statement again and said the car was loaned to him. He said he has had the car for approximately one week and the car was not stolen; however, he would not give the vehicle owner's name and repeated the vehicle belonged to some girl, and he did not know where she lived.

Suspect Molina then immediately changed his statement to state that some guy had sold it to him for real cheap. He said he bought the car for $1,500. Investigator Reyes confronted him with the fact that the cheap price he paid for the car meant he should have known the car might be stolen. Suspect Molina said he did not know what to think regarding the price. He said he knew the car was approximately a 1993. When Investigator Reyes continued to pressure Suspect Molina about the vehicle, Suspect Molina sat there and put some deep thought into what his next reply was going to be; at which time he said he actually bought the car from a friend for $4,000, and he was making payments to this friend for the car. He said he got the money from a $12,000 lawsuit settlement when he injured himself awhile back while he was working.

It was at this time Suspect Molina did not want to remain on the car subject and changed the conversation by saying they were not going to harm anyone. He said they had the weapons in the car and stated he likes weapons a lot.

Suspect Molina said he was wearing a white cowboy hat and the other two suspects in the vehicle were wearing caps, such as work caps. He could not recall what color the caps were.

Suspect Molina said he has known Suspect [redacted] for approximately two years. This interview was terminated.

SECOND INTERVIEW WITH SUSPECT CARRIZOZA

Homicide Investigators Reyes and Snapper, along with Sergeant Mike Pippen from Sheriff's Internal Affairs, re-interviewed Suspect Alfredo Carrizoza. This interview was conducted in Spanish and was translated into English by Investigator Reyes. This interview is being done in a transcript format; however, it is not 100 percent accurate. It is only being done to show how Suspect Carrizoza was answering Investigator Reyes' questions. All questions were asked by Investigator Reyes. All responses are by Suspect Carrizoza.

Q What were you doing with guns?
A I do not know.

Q Do you know about anything?
A Yes. They had guns, but I didn't know.



Q How many times did you shoot at the police?
A Me? I don't know if I -- I didn't shoot at the police. I did like this. (Suspect Carrizoza demonstrated holding a gun with his right hand and pointing the gun down toward the ground and slightly backward, which would have been in the direction of the deputies.)

Q What side of the car did you get out of?
A From the side I was on.

Q You got out of the passenger side?
A Yes, on the side I was sitting on.

Q When you got out of the car, you exited the car holding a gun?
A Yes. Yes.

Q What did you do with the gun?
A I threw it there where I threw myself onto the ground.

Q What color was the gun you had in your hands?
A Black.

Q And you threw it there on the ground or near the pole where you were hiding?
A Over there. I threw it on the ground. Yes.

Q On the street?
A No, on the sidewalk.

Q Oh, on the sidewalk.
A Yes.

Q On the sidewalk near the pole next to where you were hiding?
A Yes.

Q Why didn't you tell me this the first time I talked to you?
A Because I didn't remember all that happened.

Q You know that you told me the first time that you got out of the driver's side --
A Yes, but (interruption during answer by Investigator Reyes).



Q -- but when I told you I have talked to other people related to this case, and they are saying something different from what you are telling me --
A Well, it is because I remember that the door opened a little bit. It opened like this (demo by suspect with his hands being approximately 12 to 16 inches apart), and I got out like this (demo sliding out of car sideways).

Q How many shots did you fire when you got out of the car?
A I don't remember. Two or one. What am I going to tell you?

Q Two or what?
A For one. But I didn't shoot the gun like that over there (demo with right arm pointing a gun out in front of him in the direction of someone).

Q What direction did you fire? Your shots? In what direction?
A When I was getting out of the car. I'm going to tell you the truth.

Q In the direction of the ground?
A Toward the ground.

Q One or two shots?
A Two, I believe. I'm going to tell you the whole truth.

Q Why do you know now that you shot twice and the first time I talked to you, you told me the gun discharged when it fell to the ground. Why did you tell me that?
A No, but I'm telling you the truth.

Q Why are you telling me the truth now?
A Because.

Q Because? Tell me, please.
A Because I got out like this (demo sliding out of car sideways with his back toward the deputies).

Q Why did you lie to me before?
A I didn't want to lie to you.

Q Why did you lie to me before?
A I didn't remember very well. Me, I slept a little bit and everything. (Referring to having slept prior to the second interview.)



Q But you remembered real well back then because I asked you the questions three to four times, what side of the car did you get out of? And every time you said I got out of the driver's side.

A No. I got out of this side.

Q And when passing across the seat, you picked up the armrest and you saw a gun there, and when you slid out --

A The truth?

Q Tell me the truth in your words.

A I got out of the door near where I was sitting (right front passenger seat). I got out low because I was scared and it went off. I don't know how many. But for real, I don't know anything about the gun.

Q What color cap were you wearing?

A White.

Q Was anything written on the hat?

A No.

Q What kind of cap was it?

A All white.

Q A baseball cap?

A Made of (unintelligible).

Q It wasn't a hat. It was a cap.

A Yes, a cap.

Q In the style of a baseball cap?

A No (responded nodding his head, yes).

Q Why didn't you want to tell me that the first time (first interview)? I asked you if you were wearing a cap, and you didn't tell me anything. You said you weren't wearing a hat.

A Cap, yes.

Q Why didn't you tell me?

A For -- no, no, no, no, I couldn't. I don't know where the hat wound up either.



Q Why did this happen? Why did you all shoot at the police knowing that the car behind you was a police car? Why did you all shoot at them?
A I don't know.

Q Did you know the driver of the car?
A I already told you I don't know him.

Q He knows you. He lives in the house behind where you are staying.
A Over there on [redacted]?

Q Yes.
A Yeah (nodded his head as well).

Q Yes. He is living in a little house behind where you are living.
A A little house (to the affirmative).

Q Yes. The same address you have.
A Over there -- over there, yes. I stay in a little house in back, and he lives there. He sleeps there at night.

Q His name is Adolfo?
A Adolfo (to the affirmative).

Q What is the name of the boy that died?
A I know him through him. Through him I know him.

Q What is his name? The boy that died?
A I don't know his name.

Q You don't know his name?
A His name is [redacted]

Q [redacted]
A Yes

Q Do you all buy your clothes at the same place or what?
A No, at a place nearby where we live.



Q I'm going to tell you one thing. When all that was happening, when all the shots were being fired, the police were shooting and all of you were shooting. Your friends were shooting and you were shooting. And every time you raised and every time you raised up to shoot like this (Investigator Reyes simulated raising up and holding a gun), the police saw you. They saw you when you raised up all the time, about two or three times.
A No, not me.

Q From the right side of the pole, that was where (interrupted by the answer by the suspect).
A I was covering myself. Lead was flying. I'm not lying to you (additional reply was unintelligible).

Q And this is the truth, huh?
A (No reply, just a sniffle.)

Q And you expect me to believe you only fired two shots when you were getting out of the car? And the two shots were into the ground?
A I don't know that.

Q Because there are not two gunshot marks on the side of the car, on the ground, there aren't any. Did you think it hit the side of the car you crashed into?
A No.

Q No?
A No. I'm not going to say (unintelligible response). (Mumbling.)

Q But --
A You know the door opened a little bit, and I told you I got out. Yes.

Q All of you almost killed a policeman.
A (Suspect grunted.)

Q And one of your friends died. Did you have -- do you have anything more to say?
A No. I have told you the truth and --

Q You still don't want to tell me the truth, that you had a gun, had a firearm. All three of you had firearms. That you were all going somewhere to shoot the guns, right? You were all going somewhere to shoot them?
A Yes, I had a firearm.



Q What?
A Yes, I had a firearm.

Q You had a firearm, right?
A Yes.

Q All of you had them, right?
A Yes.

Q You -- where did you have your firearm?
A There, where I told you. Both of them were there.

Q On the seat?
A On the seat.

Q By your side? Where was the firearm of the other man that was driving, driver?
A Right there against each other.

Q But your gun. And when all of you all got out of the car, you got your gun and he got his gun, right? And you all got out shooting so you could all hide, right?
A I didn't shoot over there at -- I didn't want to crash and not have shot that.

Q You saw him shoot at the police, the other one that is in custody?
A No, the other one.

Q The other one with the rifle?
A Yeah.

Q With that it's truth, yes?
A Yes.

Q Where did you buy your firearm?
A No. It was loaned to me.

Q Who loaned it to you?
A Uh, another friend.

Q Who's the other friend?
A His name is -- the other little white-complected guy. What's his name?



Q The one who died?
A Yes. He loaned it to me.

Q He loaned it to you?
A (No response, just nodded yes.)

Q And the firearm of the other one, whose was it?
A I don't know.

Q It was his?
A I believe so. No, it was -- it must've been his. I don't know. (Unintelligible mumble.)

Q And where were you going with those firearms?
A I don't know, to be able to tell you.

Q Where?
A I don't know.

Q But you were all going -- you're gun was fully loaded with bullets, right? Ready to go, right?
A There were only four bullets.

Q Some, four. Where were the rest of the bullets?
A Huh?

Q The rest of the bullets. Where were they?
A I didn't have any.

Q You were going somewhere to shoot four bullets?
A We weren't going to shoot.

Q Where were you -- why were you carrying the weapons?
A We were going to shoot at some camp or something.

Q And you only had four bullets to go to some camp to go shooting?
A We were going to go by an armory there, then go shooting.

Q Where were you going to buy the bullets?
A At an armory.



Q Where?
A An armory. Like there is a camp and that in an area to shoot (unintelligible, finishing sentence at the end of this response).

(Investigator Snapper replying, he knows he's lying.)

Inv. Reyes: Did you understand what he is saying? You're telling lies.
A No. I don't understand him. No. Why? No. Why do I have to tell lies?

Q 'Cause you don't -- you did something bad.
A I know.

Q You almost killed some police officers.
A (Unintelligible response.)

Q What?
A I said I wasn't. The one who was driving -- I couldn't -- no way could I jump on the steering wheel and stop it. What? If I jumped him and I said stop it or something, my friend didn't want to stop.

Q The driver didn't want to stop. Was the youngster in the back telling him not to stop?
A No, he wasn't. No.

Q The youngster in the back wasn't telling him don't stop, don't stop? Did you hear that?
A I didn't hear that, but --

Q Did you -- did it happen -- could it have happened that way?
A Yes.

Q Why didn't you hear anything like that?
A I was real scared.

Q You were real scared?
A Yes.

Q And you grabbed your weapon and you were ready, huh?
A No. If I was ready, I would have shot everything.



Q Does your gun still have bullets in it?
A I still had about --

Q Some what?
A Another two.

Q Yes. And what color was the other guy's gun?
A Which one?

Q The other one that is here in custody.
A Black.

Q Black? You're sure?
A With the grips like, grips like brown.

Q And yours?
A All black.

Q And the grips?
A Black.

Q Black grips?
A Yes.

This interview was concluded.

10-27-98 (TUESDAY) 1322 HOURS

Homicide Investigators Reyes and Snapper, along with Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Pippen, interviewed Witness #1, [REDACTED] at his residence. This interview was conducted in English and was tape recorded.

Witness [REDACTED] said that when the deputy involved shooting occurred, he was sitting on the living room sofa. He heard a few gunshots that caught his attention. [REDACTED] walked up to his front door and opened it slightly to see what was occurring outside of his residence. When he did this, he saw a single patrol car being shot at. The lone patrol car he saw was out on the street, stopped in the [REDACTED] of East 75th Street, facing Hooper. Mr. [REDACTED] could see that the patrol vehicle was being shot at because he saw the front windshield of the patrol vehicle was being hit by bullets. He said he did not see the patrol deputies shooting at the suspects at this time.



Mr. saw the two deputies in this lone patrol vehicle get out and hide behind each of their respective doors. It was not until the deputies were hiding behind their doors that they returned fire at the suspects who were in a westerly direction of their patrol vehicle. He could see the deputies were shooting because he saw smoke coming from their pistols, as well as hearing their gunfire.

Where Mr. was standing at his front door, he was unable to see the suspects in the Crown Victoria shooting at the deputies. He could only hear the gunshots from the suspect's direction and bullets striking the patrol vehicle. He said both the deputies and the suspects were shooting back and forth at each other.

Mr. said a very short while later, he saw a second patrol vehicle drive up just before the shooting between the deputies and the suspects stopped; however, he was only focused on the first patrol vehicle that he saw when he first walked up to his front door. He said the deputy in the second patrol vehicle did, however, fire approximately two shots in the direction of where the suspects were located. He said the deputy shot twice with his handgun. He said the shooting only stopped when the driver of the first patrol vehicle pulled out a shotgun and fired it twice in the direction of the suspects.

After all the shootings stopped, Mr walked outside of his residence and walked over to the corner of East 75th Street and Hooper. At this time, he saw a suspect with gray pants standing outside of a vehicle that was on Hooper Street. He could not recall which deputy arrested this suspect. He then saw deputies arrest a second suspect who was wearing a black jacket and ostrich cowboy boots. This suspect was also standing outside one of the vehicles that was at the end of East 75th Street and Hooper.

Mr. said he never saw any of the suspects in the vehicle at any time. This interview was terminated.

1457 HOURS

Homicide Investigators Reyes and Snapper, along with Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Pippen, interviewed Witness #2, This interview was conducted in Spanish and was translated into English by Investigator Reyes. Mr. was interviewed at Century Sheriff's Station in an interview room. The interview was tape recorded.

Mr. was the driver of the beige Honda Civic that was involved in the traffic collision with the suspect vehicle, when the shooting occurred on East 75th Street and Hooper. He was driving southbound on Hooper from Florence Avenue. The suspect vehicle came out from a side street (East 75th Street) at a fast rate of speed, at which time the suspect vehicle hit the



left front fender of his vehicle, which caused his vehicle to turn in a westbound direction and go up onto the west curb and hit a tree. Mr. became disoriented immediately after his vehicle was struck by the suspect vehicle and was disoriented for a short while.

After the suspect vehicle collided with Mr. vehicle, Mr. saw a thin male, possibly wearing a white shirt, come out of the passenger side of the suspect vehicle. This suspect had a black square gun in his hand. The suspect vehicle and Mr. vehicle were facing the same direction at the end of the collision, subsequently, he was able to see the right front passenger of the suspect vehicle get out of the car, as the passenger side of the suspect vehicle was facing Mr. driver's side of his vehicle.

When Mr saw the gun in the suspect's hand, he immediately laid down on his front seat. As Mr. was laying down on his front seat, the shooting began. Mr. did not see anything else occur after he laid down on his front seat. All he heard were gunshots. He was unable to see the suspect do any shooting, nor was he able to see the suspect's face as he got out of the passenger side of the suspect vehicle.

Mr. did not see or hear the suspects shooting at the patrol vehicle prior to the traffic collision, nor was he able to see any of the suspects who were in the suspect vehicle. This interview was terminated.

Homicide Investigators Reyes and Snapper, along with Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Zombek interviewed Witnesses #8 and #9. Witness #8 is and Witness #9 is s This interview was conducted in Spanish and was translated into English by Investigator Reyes. The interview was conducted at their residence. The interview was tape recorded.

Mrs said she and her were walking home from the store, westbound on East 75th Street on the north side of East 75th Street. As they were walking home, they saw a vehicle driving westbound on East 75th Street and pass their location. This vehicle passed her at a fast rate of speed. She saw a police car following this vehicle.

As the police car passed her and location, Mrs. saw the passenger police officer with his gun out of the patrol car's passenger window pointing at the vehicle in front of it. The passenger police officer's head was also sticking out the passenger side window with his upper body propped up on the vehicle's passenger door. When she saw the police officer with his gun out, she grabbed by his head, pulled him toward her, covered him up and ducked down. At this very moment she heard gunshots. When she heard the gunshots, she heard one of the bullets whiz past her head. When this occurred, both the police vehicle and



suspect vehicle were west (past) of her location. The bullet that whizzed past her head came from the west or suspect vehicle; however, she did not see who was shooting as she was turned away from the direction of the gunfire. She did not see any of the exchange of gunfire between the police and the suspects.

saw the passenger deputy propped up outside the patrol vehicle's door pointing his gun at the gray suspect vehicle in front of their patrol vehicle. At this point his grabbed him. Despite his efforts to protect him, continued to look westbound at what was occurring. He saw gunshots being fired from the suspect vehicle at the police vehicle.

said when he first started watching what was occurring, he saw the passenger police officer return fire. The gunshots that were fired from the suspect vehicle were possibly being fired by the driver of the suspect vehicle. established his facts by seeing gunshots fired from the driver's side of the suspect vehicle. The suspect who was shooting at the deputies from the driver's side of the suspect vehicle was wearing a cap, not a cowboy hat.

said it appeared there were five suspects in the suspect vehicle. This interview was terminated.

Homicide Investigator Reyes and Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Zombek interviewed Witness #10, was interviewed at the residence. This interview was conducted in Spanish and was tape recorded. The interview was translated into English by Investigator Reyes.

said he was standing on East 75th Street approximately east of Parmelee on the south sidewalk with his . He said they were both standing in front of . They were watching a deputy arrest a man who was with a baby. He said the man with the baby was driving a car that almost crashed into the arresting deputy's patrol car.

During the time and his were watching the deputy arrest this man with the baby, saw a gray car. heard some gunshots, at which time the deputy who was making the arrest on the man with the baby told him and his to go into their house.

could not relay any more information to Investigators and could not give Investigators his address as he did not know it. Subsequently, Investigators followed to his residence in order to get his address.

While Investigators were at the residence, Investigator Reyes spoke with . Mrs. did not want to cooperate with Investigator Reyes; however, Mrs. did tell Investigator Reyes she was outside with her when she saw a car being chased by the police westbound on East 75th Street. Shortly after she saw the pursuit,



she heard gunshots coming from down the street. She grabbed [redacted] and went into her house.

The interview with Mrs. [redacted] was not tape recorded. The context of her interview, however, was written down in Investigator Reyes' notebook. This interview was terminated.

Homicide Investigator Reyes and Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Zombek interviewed Witness #12, [redacted] in an interview room at Firestone Youth Facility, where the command post was set up. This interview was conducted in English and was tape recorded.

[redacted] told Investigators he was standing in front of [redacted] at [redacted] talking to a friend. This location is located at the [redacted] corner of Florence Avenue and Parmelee. As he was standing in front of his business talking to his friend, he saw a grayish vehicle (NFD), with three Mexican occupants, in it slow down westbound on Florence Avenue approaching Parmelee. There was a patrol vehicle following this grayish vehicle. The patrol vehicle had its rotating red lights on.

The driver of the gray vehicle had a cap on and a toothpick in his mouth. The driver of the gray vehicle was grinning, "sort of a funny smile." The suspect driver looked suspicious, "like some kind of drug lord." He looked as if he was laughing at the deputies and possibly thought being followed by the deputies was funny. This observation was one that [redacted] made when he first saw the suspect vehicle. [redacted] said he and his friend said to each other that they bet the guys in the suspect vehicle had done something wrong.

The gray vehicle turned left (southbound) on Parmelee from Florence Avenue. The police car with the red lights on also turned left (southbound) on Parmelee. After the suspect vehicle and patrol vehicle turned left onto Parmelee, [redacted] thought the officers were going to stop the vehicle on Parmelee near Florence Avenue; but [redacted] friend looked down Parmelee and told him [redacted] the suspect vehicle did not stop and continued driving southbound on Parmelee.

[redacted] saw that there was plenty of space and time for the suspect vehicle to stop on Parmelee, but they did not stop, they just kept going. The suspect vehicle did however, appear to slow down as if to stop, but instead he kept going down Parmelee.

After the suspect vehicle and police continued southbound on Parmelee, [redacted] did not continue to look down the street. [redacted] friend told him the police and suspect vehicle turned on one of the streets further down Parmelee.

Approximately 15 to 20 seconds after [redacted] saw the police turn onto Parmelee from Florence Avenue, he heard approximately four gunshots. The gunshots sounded different. One gunshot



sounded farther away and one sounded closer. It sounded like there were three shots, then one shot that sounded like return fire. The first shots were louder than the other shots.

After the shooting stopped, and his friend drove down the street to where his friend last saw the police car turn. At the end of East 75th Street and Hooper, there was a traffic collision. The patrol vehicle was stopped in the of the street and the pursued suspect vehicle had crashed into some other vehicles. At this time, saw a person on the ground. did not see any gunshots fired at this time.

Prior to being interviewed by Investigators, had given a white envelope to Sergeant View of Sheriff's Homicide. In turn, Sergeant View gave the envelope to Investigator Reyes. The envelope contained two 9mm shell casings. picked up the shell casings from the ground on East 75th Street. At the time of the interview, did not know exactly where he had picked up the shell casings. He said he would get the location where he picked up the shell casings at a later time.

On 10-28-98 at 1310 hours, Investigator Reyes contacted via telephone. At this time, told Investigator Reyes that he recovered one of the shell casings from the middle of East 75th Street in front of . The other shell casing was picked up on East 75th Street near a vehicle that was parked adjacent to the north curb at

The two shell casings are listed as Evidence Item #107. Both shell casings are stamped with "Winchester 9mm Lugar." This envelope was subsequently transported to the Sheriff's Crime Lab and given to Catalani, under Lab Receipt #H981077, for evaluation. This interview was terminated.

1825 HOURS

Homicide Investigator Reyes, along with Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Zombek, interviewed Witness #11, , at Century Sheriff's Station in an interview room. This interview was tape recorded and was conducted in Spanish. The interview was translated into English by Investigator Reyes.

During the time of this interview, it had not yet been established whether was the of the deceased suspect. had come to Century Sheriff's Station in order to ascertain if the deceased suspect of this deputy involved shooting was told Investigators she came to Century Sheriff's Station after seeing a television news coverage of this case. She said the suspect vehicle that was shown on the news, resembled the vehicle of a friend of her friends, Adolfo Molina and Amador (NFD), came to her house (, where she and her



lived. Adolfo and Amador arrived at her house sometime between 0600 and 0630 hours this morning (10-27-98).

Adolfo had called her house on a cellular telephone and asked for told Adolfo that her was asleep. Adolfo then said, "Can you open the door for me?" She said okay and opened the front door to her house for Adolfo. Adolfo was standing at the front door and walked into her house and walked directly to bedroom. She said Adolfo had been to her house three or four times in the past, and subsequently, he knew where bedroom was located.

Adolfo then woke up her , at which time they (and Adolfo) began talking. said she told her she had to go to work. asked where he was going, at which time he told her not to worry, that he was staying home. replied that she told her that she is his and she needed to know where he was going because she did not want to be at work worrying about where he was and what he was doing with his friends. said she made this comment to her because Adolfo had told him he was going somewhere with them. replied that he was staying home and there was nothing to worry about.

When returned home from work later this afternoon (10-27-98) at 1730 hours, she saw the news broadcast and became concerned for her welfare. said she worried about her hanging around with Adolfo because in the recent past, she had seen Adolfo in possession of guns or saw guns in Adolfo's vehicle. She did not see Adolfo with guns this morning (10-27-98), but it was still a concern of hers. She was concerned about her 17-year-old brother associating with an older man. She said Adolfo always has guns and he (Adolfo) does bad things.

After further discussion after this interview had ended, recalled more details of the events that occurred this morning (10-27-98) and preceding days.

When Adolfo entered the house this morning, he went into room, lifted up bed blanket and woke him up. Adolfo told to wake up because they had to go somewhere and do something; that statement worried because of all the weapons she had seen Adolfo with. told not to go because she was going to send him ( ) to Mexicali the following night.

Adolfo was at house visiting yesterday (10-26-98), but did not go anywhere with him. On Sunday, 10-25-98, Adolfo called at 0630 hours and wanted him to go somewhere with him. answered the telephone when Adolfo called on Sunday and relayed the message to told her to tell Adolfo he was asleep and could not be awakened. Adolfo was on a cellular phone and was parked outside their



house during this Sunday telephone conversation. [redacted] went outside and relayed the message to Adolfo that her [redacted] could not be awakened.

[redacted] said in the past few days, every time Adolfo wanted to have [redacted] go somewhere with him, Adolfo was parked outside their house and called [redacted] on the cellular telephone, all of which occured at 0630 hours in the morning. The interview was then terminated.

12-27-98

Investigator Reyes interviewed Witness #13, [redacted] in the front yard of [redacted]. This interview was conducted simultaneously with Witness #1's interview by Investigator Snapper and Sergeant Pippen. [redacted] was interviewed in the front yard of Mr. [redacted] residence. [redacted] lives at the house at the [redacted] of [redacted] house. This interview was not tape recorded, and it was conducted in Spanish. This interview information was passed on to Investigator Snapper and Sergeant Pippen.

[redacted] lives [redacted] of [redacted]. She is not a witness to the shooting. She said she was in her house when the shooting occurred, and all she heard was some explosion and she did not know they were actually gunshots. She said the explosion sounded like firecrackers. She could add no further information, and the interview was terminated.

12-27-98

This interview was conducted by Homicide Investigators Reyes and Snapper, along with Internal Affairs Investigator Sergeant Pippen. This interview was not tape recorded as this interview was conducted in the front yard of Mr. [redacted] Witness #14.

Mr. [redacted] said he was in his house at the time of the shooting and did not witness anything. He said all he heard were a lot of gunshots. He said he could not count them because there were too many gunshots to be counted. Mr. [redacted] could add nothing further.

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